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# More terrorism arrests coming?

- RCMP provide no details on suspects, nor on the allegations against them
- Arrests come 4 years after the apprehension of the so-called Toronto 18



► RCMP have arrested two Ottawa residents in relation to terrorist offences following a raid on a west-end Ottawa home early yesterday.

The spectre of homegrown radicals hovered over the suburbs of the city's west end yesterday as police took two people into custody on terrorism-related allegations amid predictions more arrests were imminent.

Residents awoke to a clutch of police cars gathered outside a townhouse in Carlingwood, where a couple had been living with young children for at least six months, one neighbour said.

By evening yesterday, no charges had

been announced and police were refusing to divulge further details in advance of today's news conference.

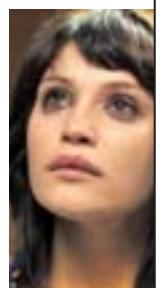
"More arrests are anticipated," said a terse RCMP release.

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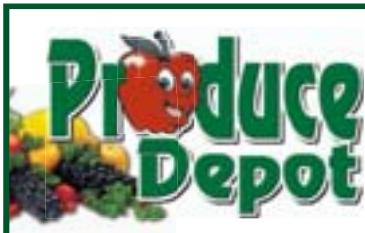
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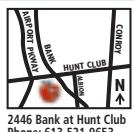
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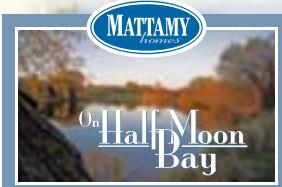
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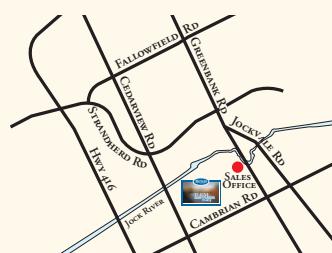
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# Smoke hangs heavy: Study

► Hazardous levels of second-hand smoke have been measured in outdoor bars and patios in Ottawa ► 90 per cent of patios in Ottawa still allow smoking, estimates the Ottawa Council on Smoking and Health



► "Ottawa could go smoke-free," said Ryan Kennedy in the ByWard Market yesterday. "I think it's a trend that's going to be emerging and it's really a question of when Ottawa decides to join."

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It's the summertime, and you're enjoying a relaxing dinner with your family or friends on a patio.

Even if you're not a smoker, you could be breathing in air of the same quality as air sampled during the Kelowna fires or the worst smog day in Los Angeles' history.

Earlier this week, University of Waterloo researcher Ryan Kennedy measured air quality at 12 restaurants, bars, pubs and

coffee shops in the ByWard Market, on Bank Street, Elgin Street, Sparks Street and in Hintonburg.

"What we found from our study was not surprising," Kennedy said yesterday. "If you're on a patio and someone is near you and they're smoking, the air you're breathing ... is compromised by smoke.

"I think people understand second-hand smoke is dangerous, but (believe) that when they're outdoors, it just dissipates," he said.

Second-hand smoke outside is just as bad as breathing it in indoors, he added.

## Smoke-free?



The Ottawa Council on Smoking and Health is launching a campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of smoke and to get Ottawa residents' opinions on smoke-free patios.

► The smoking rate in Ottawa is low compared to the na-

tional average, said Pippa Beck, past president of the Ottawa Council on Smoking and Health. More than 80 per cent of Ottawans are non-smokers, and even more enjoy smoke-free environments, she said.

► Alberta, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and the Yukon all have smoke-free patios, and there are jurisdictions around Ontario that have smoke-free patios.

► It's not just patrons who are at risk, said Beck. Servers are also being exposed to second-hand smoke.

● TRACEY TONG

## Art gallery to move to new venue

The Arts Court and the Ottawa Art Gallery will go their separate ways, after city council voted to go ahead with major improvements to their Daly Street home and relocate the gallery to a larger venue.

The Ottawa Art Gallery's new location has not been chosen, but city staff are studying the feasibility of moving it into a redeveloped Lansdowne Park. ● STEVE COLLINS

## Charges over ad for stolen laptop

City police have charged an Ottawa woman after an ad offering stolen property was posted on an online classified website.

Police alleged the woman was attempting to sell a stolen laptop computer that was obtained as a result of a residential break-and-enter.

Trista Picken, 23, faces charges including one count each of break, enter and theft, possession of stolen property and laundering proceeds of crime. ● TRACEY TONG

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## Council looking out for cyclists

► Cyclists will get special detours around construction ► Bike detours to be clearly marked, short and safe

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While there's no avoiding summer construction, the city wants to help cyclists navigate it more easily.

Council voted yesterday to develop a strategy for bike detours that can be put into place whenever construction or path maintenance disrupt cycling routes.

The plan is to include detours that are well marked and laid out to ensure that the safest and most direct route is taken into account.

 For more news, see metronews.ca

### Bike parking 101

Construction may complicate their trip, but when it comes to parking, Ottawa cyclists have many choices:

- Free parking at all city-owned parking lots and garages.
- Red bike racks at Transitway stations.
- Bike racks at City of Ottawa client service centres, community and recreation centres.
- Blue Velocity bike racks on the street (April to November).
- Ring and post racks at various locations throughout the city.



► Ottawa Mission LifeHouse program graduate Richard Dechamplain, centre, embraces his mother Carol and brother Michael outside the shelter yesterday.

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## Turning his life around

Richard Dechamplain had been struggling with a 20-year drug addiction when he entered the Ottawa Mission's five-month addiction treatment program. "I was in jail a lot, I sold drugs, I was in gangs," said Dechamplain, who, along with another graduate, shared stories at the program's graduation ceremony yesterday. "I just turned my life around," he said. "I'm going on my seventh month clean."

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## Could the end be near for transit labour dispute?

The end may be finally in sight of a protracted labour dispute at OC Transpo.

City council, after going behind closed doors yesterday to discuss a new proposed agreement with the transit union, voted unanimously in favour of it.

Transit committee chair Alex Cullen could not reveal any details of the contract offer until after union members have had a chance to vote on it.

But he described it as the product of give and take between the city and the union.

Scheduling of driver shifts has been the major obstacle to an agreement between OC Transpo and its drivers.

That agreement has remained elusive after a 53-day strike in the winter of 2008-2009, threatened back-to-work legislation and the appointment of an arbitrator.

Union members will



**"It is a package deal and I think on balance, it's a good deal for both sides."**

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## Ottawa scientist behind discovery

An experimental procedure to repair the damaged eyes of 10 patients using artificial corneas had Ottawa scientist Dr. May Griffith and her colleagues on tenterhooks.

The pioneering

endeavour, conceived a decade ago in Griffith's laboratory, offers a gleam of hope for people with eye damage stuck on long waiting lists for corneas that are in such short supply around the world.

Griffith's research was published yesterday in the journal *Science Translational Medicine*.

The cornea is a thin, clear layer of collagen and cells over the eyeball. It filters light and helps the eye focus.

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## Digital billboards to debut

Digital billboards, currently banned by Ottawa bylaws, will make their first appearance on the local media landscape, after city council voted to allow them at select locations for a two-year pilot project.

The billboards will be erected on city land at three locations while staff

evaluate the effect on traffic, advertising revenues and other factors. Staff cited industry estimates that the billboards could increase city ad revenues by three or four times.

Coun. Diane Deans, voted in favour of the pilot project, but is worried that the displays, which typically change every six seconds, might distract drivers, or that the light emitted from the billboards at night might disturb residents.

STEVE COLLINS



► Ontario Infrastructure Minister Bob Chiarelli speaks to the media yesterday.

► Stakeholder submissions 'well thought out and comprehensive'



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In the past several years, the level of infrastructure investment in the City of Ottawa has been "exceptional," the province's minister of Infrastructure said yesterday.

As part of the development of a new 10-year plan for infrastructure, the province is in the process of doing provincewide consultations with all of the stakeholders, said former Ottawa Mayor Bob Chiarelli yesterday.

"This is the fifth such consultation process where we're seeking advice from the people who need that infrastructure, who use that infrastructure, as to what we need in the 10-

"We have to find the ways and means to continue a program that will see ... investment in our community, but it's got to be ... relevant to the public."

ONTARIO MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND FORMER OTTAWA MAYOR BOB CHIARELLI

year-plan going forward."

Over the last six years, the province has invested about \$1.5 billion in health-care, education and capital infrastructure in Ottawa, Chiarelli said.

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## Teacher assigns terrorist attack

A high school teacher who assigned her class to plan a terrorist attack that would kill as many innocent Australians as possible had no intent to promote terrorism, education officials said yesterday.

The Year 10 students at Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School in the state of Western Australia were given the assignment last week in a class on contemporary conflict and terrorism.

The students were asked to pretend they were terrorists making a political statement by releasing a chemical or biological agent on "an unsuspecting Australian community," according to a copy of the assignment received by the newspaper.

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## Insurgents attack Iraqi soldiers

Bombers and gunmen killed 55 Iraqis in two dozen attacks spanning the country yesterday, mostly targeting security forces in seemingly co-ordinated strikes the day after the number of U.S. troops fell below 50,000 for the first time since the start of the war.

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## Two ocean storms gain strength

Hurricane Frank has formed in the Pacific off Mexico's coast while a new tropical depression formed in the Atlantic. Frank had maximum sustained winds yesterday near 120 km/h. In the Atlantic, the new tropical depression has maximum sustained winds near 55 km/h.

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# Harper rallies troops during North training



► Prime Minister Stephen Harper, second from right, talks with Chief of the Defence Staff General Walter Natynczyk, centre, on an iceberg in Resolute, Nunavut.

► General: 'We're demonstrating our capacity to exercise sovereignty'

As climate change opens up more space in the North, Canadian troops are moving farther up. This year's Operation Nanook is the farthest north they have trained.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper yesterday paid a visit and delivered a speech to the troops — a day after Russian military aircraft flew within 30 nautical miles of Canada's northern border, a routine occurrence.

About 1,500 personnel, mostly from Canada but also from Denmark and the United States, are engaged in land, sea and air exercises for most of the month of August.

While the soldiers from all three countries are working alongside one another, their governments are engaged in a different



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# Rapist faces new charge: Stalking using Facebook

► Sex images were used to force woman to come back to him, police say ► He denies it, but remains in jail

A man has been accused of stalking an ex-girlfriend and trying to persuade her to come back to him by using a Facebook account he created in the name of another ex-girlfriend he raped.

Travis Allen Davis, 23, was arrested by police last week as he slept in a car outside his ex-girlfriend's home in Delmont, Penn., about 40 kilometres east of Pittsburgh.

Authorities said he was armed with a gun and a box-cutter.

Davis created a Facebook profile in the name of an ex-girlfriend he raped in Ohio, and he used the account to contact the

## Horror in Ohio

- Travis Allen Davis pleaded guilty to rape in Ohio earlier this month and is scheduled to be sentenced for that crime on Oct. 5, according to online court records.
- He was armed when he broke into the Ohio woman's home last year, handcuffing her and then raping her.

Pennsylvania woman, authorities said.

Police contend Davis — pretending to be the Ohio woman — threatened to send sexually explicit im-

ages of him having sex with the Pennsylvania woman to her current boyfriend if she did not move back to Indiana "and pretend she wanted to be with Davis," police said.

Davis, of New Castle, Ind., also allegedly sent the Pennsylvania woman a video of him having sex with her.

Davis has pleaded not guilty and remained jailed yesterday.

Export District Judge Charles Conway on Tuesday ordered Davis to undergo a mental health evaluation and raised his bail from \$10,000 to \$75,000

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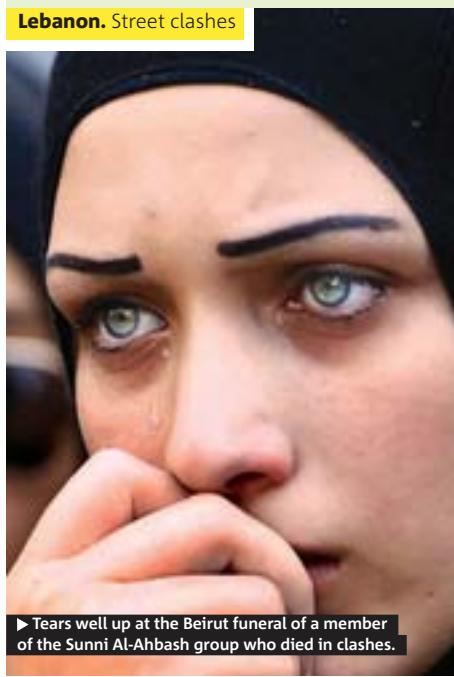
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## Blood flows in Beirut

Lebanese soldiers and tanks have been deployed in central Beirut to restore calm after a Shiite Hezbollah group and a small Sunni faction fought street battles that left four people dead.

## Taliban suspected in mystery gas attack

Dozens of students and teachers at a girls' school in Afghanistan's capital, Kabul, were sickened yesterday by an unknown gas that spread through classrooms, officials said.

The incident was similar to earlier cases where scores of girls have been treated for dizziness, headaches and nausea after suspected poisoning attacks.

Those have raised fears the Taliban and other Islamic fundamentalists who oppose female education are trying to scare them away from classes.

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Sixty students and teachers from the Totia Girls School were treated, with all but a handful discharged by late afternoon, officials said.

## FRENCH, ENGLISH as a SECOND LANGUAGE

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**September 27 to December 18, 2010**

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4 weeks (60 hours in class and 60 hours online)

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# France ignores outcry, vows to oust Gypsies

- Sarkozy warns against 'useless controversies'
- Interior minister says it's all just 'political blather'

France will continue to dismantle illegal Gypsy encampments and send their inhabitants back to Eastern Europe.

This was the declaration of the country's interior minister yesterday amid widespread international criticism.

Brice Hortefeux said France was applying its laws when it expelled planeloads of Gypsies, or Roma, in recent weeks and evacuated more than 100 illegal camps.

The operation has sparked criticism from lawmakers across the political spectrum and from Europe's top human rights watchdog, which has ac-



► A Gypsy screams as police try to restrain her.

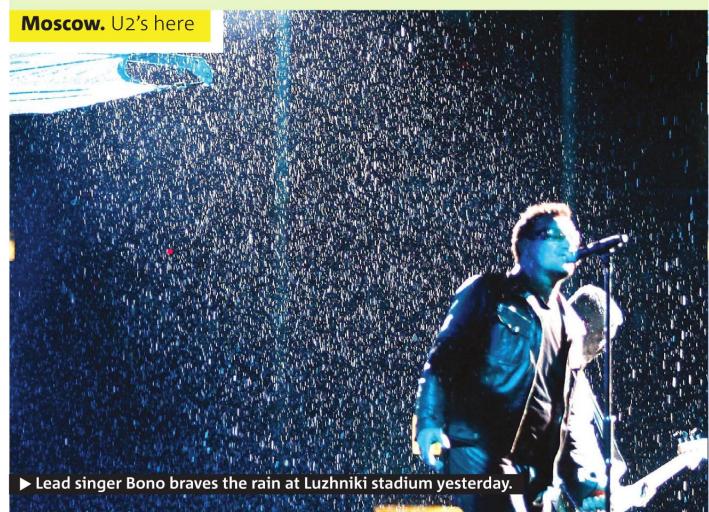
prejudice was not behind the decision to expel the Gypsies.

He said 117 camps have been dismantled and 630 people sent home, with some 300 more expulsions expected.

President Nicolas Sarkozy urged his team "not to get sidetracked by useless controversies," Immigration Minister Eric Besson said, reporting the French leader's comments.

Conservative Sarkozy has argued Gypsy camps are sources of trafficking, exploitation of children and prostitution, and the crackdown is part of his wider fight against crime.

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## Forget the rain, Bono's a blast

Torrential rain greeted rock band U2 as it took the stage at the Luzhniki stadium in Moscow yesterday — ironically, performing *Beautiful Day*. It was the Irish band's first-ever concert in Russia, where western music has a vast following.

## Pilot to be quizzed

Investigators recovered two black boxes and were waiting to question the pilot yesterday after an air crash in northeast China.

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Recycle Frog's President Matthew MacQuarrie looks over some of the items from a recent UnitedWay Gold Drive fundraising event.

# Police learn bodies were migrants

► Police believe the 72 migrants were mostly from Central America  
► Unclear why they were killed

A survivor has told police that 72 people found dead at a ranch near the Mexican border with Texas were migrants kidnapped by an armed group, a federal official said yesterday.

The bodies of 58 men and 14 women were discovered Tuesday when Marines manning a checkpoint on a highway in the northern state of Tamaulipas were approached by a wounded man who said he had been attacked by gang gunmen at a nearby ranch.

A federal official said that man had identified himself an illegal migrant. The man said he and other migrants had been kidnapped by an armed group



and taken to the ranch in San Fernando, a town about 160 kilometres south of Brownsville, Texas, according to the federal official, who had access to the investigation.

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## Hostages return to H.K.

Most survivors of this week's hostage drama in Manila flew home to Hong Kong yesterday, along with the bodies of eight slain tourists. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# NORAD downplays Russian intercept

NORAD is downplaying an incident on Tuesday that saw two CF-18s shadow a pair of Russian military aircraft as they flew within 56 kilometres of Canadian soil.

In a statement yesterday, NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defence Command, said the CF-18s "intercepted and visually identified" two TU-95 Bear bombers that entered the Canadian Air Defence Identification Zone.

"At no time did the Russ-

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NORAD said its aircraft have intercepted four Russian bombers so far this year and 16 times in 2009.

ian military aircraft enter Canadian or United States sovereign airspace," said NORAD spokesman Lt. Desmond James, a Canadian naval officer.

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## Six tipsters get shares of reward

The Vancouver Police Board has handed out a total of \$100,000 in rewards to six people who came forward with tips that helped lead to the conviction of serial killer Robert Pickton.

Several other people ap-

plied for a reward, but the board eventually decided to split the money among just six individuals, the police department said yesterday morning.

The reward money, first offered by the police board in May 1999, consisted of \$70,000 from the provincial Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and \$30,000 from the police department, the release said.

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# IJC: Great Lakes vulnerable to toxic oil spills

► Enbridge pipeline rupture in Kalamazoo River a 'red flag' that has spurred commissioners to action

The potential for pipeline failure poses a threat to the Great Lakes that could have wide-ranging economic and ecological consequences, says a key international body.

The International Joint Commission says lax monitoring procedures, inaccurate spill detection and poor cross-border communication and co-operation leave the system providing water for 40 million people vulnerable to spills of chemicals like crude oil.

"We advise strongly that governments, and that includes the provincial and state governments, need to get a much better handle on the viability of this vast

network of pipelines," the commission's U.S. chair, Lana Pollack, told The Canadian Press.

"We know there's reason for the government and the public to be concerned." The commission oversees boundary waters shared by the United States and Canada.

Pollack sent a letter earlier this month to Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon and U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton urging them to act on a series of proposals made by the commission in a 2006 report on spills in the Great Lakes.

The report offers six recommendations for both

## Ready to rupture

Primary cause of ruptures on pipelines is from corrosion due to cracking and metal loss.

► Shared responsibility Canada and U.S. to renegotiate Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

► Hope for future Environmentalists hope long-overdue talks will deal with concerns.

governments that would streamline management and co-operation of the shared water basin.

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## Art. Graffiti Gallery



► Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean embraces Katie Henderson, a young girl who wrote her a letter, as she shares a joke with some young artists at Winnipeg's Graffiti Gallery.

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## Jean touts power of arts

Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean toured the Graffiti Gallery in Winnipeg yesterday, where she told teens and pre-teens that people need a better appreciation of the power of arts to build better communities. Jean was paying tribute to the Point Douglas neighbourhood, where residents successfully reduced the crime rate.

## Senegal targets beggars

Senegal's government says it is stepping up its campaign against begging in the streets of the West African nation, where tens

of thousands of children wander barefoot and swarm cars for change.

Many children attending traditional Quranic schools

— some as young as four — are forced to beg for money and are brutally beaten if they don't bring back enough. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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# Physicians oppose repeal of gun registry

► Rep says emergency doctors routinely deal with registry, back efforts to reduce gun crime, suicides

Emergency-room doctors, who deal with the bloody reality of gunshots, are urging MPs to keep the long-gun registry.

The Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians says it opposes a bid to kill the registry because it saves lives.

"As front-line physicians in emergency departments, we regularly witness the horrific injuries and deaths that result from firearms," said Dr. Carolyn Snider of the association's public affairs committee.

"Our membership has instructed CAEP to support efforts to reduce the tragic human toll associated with firearm misuse



► MP Candice Hoeppner

great majority of gun owners in Canada are responsible citizens. The long-gun registry is not about treating them as criminals; it is about protecting the vulnerable among us and we strongly urge members of Parliament to oppose Bill C-391."

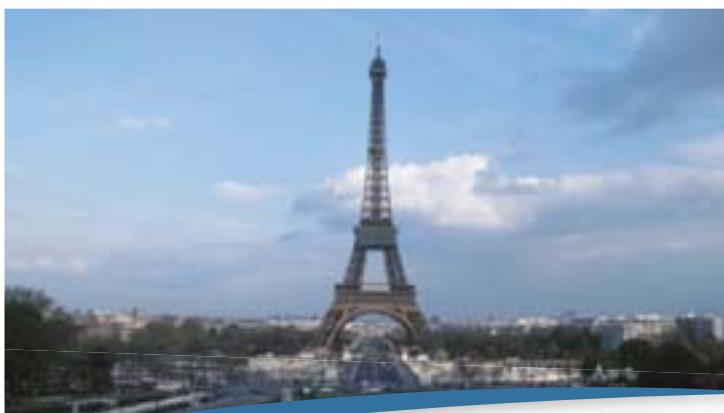
The bill, brought in by Conservative MP Candice Hoeppner, passed second reading — approval in principle — last November. The 164-137 vote came after 12 New Democrats and eight Liberals from rural or northern ridings bucked their own parties and supported the bill.

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by opposing the repeal of the long-gun registry."

She said it's not a question of making criminals of law-abiding gun owners.

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# Google lets users create own apps

► Tutorials walk users through process of making an app ► Won't compete with professional apps

Apple's artful marketing has helped convince many there's already "an app for that" in the crowded virtual aisles of its App Store.

But Google doesn't think that's necessarily the case, and is rolling out a way for the average person to make their own smartphone apps, a task that previously required a programming background.

App Inventor for Android is currently undergoing a limited beta test before going public and demand has been overwhelming for access to the program, said professor Hal Abelson,

## Cheap calls

Google is rolling out a feature in Gmail that allows users to make free or cheap long-distance calls.

- **Making calls** Voice in Gmail lets users with a headset ring a landline or cellphone.
- **Not in Canada yet** The feature will be officially available only in the U.S. for now.
- **Free calls** Google says calls to any phone in North America will be free until at least the end of the year, while fees are charged for calls around the world.



## Victoria lets secret our in Toronto

Victoria Secret models react after cutting the ribbon during the grand opening of the first Victoria Secret store in Toronto yesterday.

# RIM shares jump on news of acquisition

Shares in Research In Motion popped up on yesterday after the BlackBerry maker confirmed it has acquired California-based Cellmania, which produces software to manage virtual application stores and their content.

Cellmania operates online software application stores for a number of wireless carriers globally and is expected to help RIM improve its BlackBerry App World, which has been less popular with consumers than app stores maintained by Apple and Google for their devices.

"It becomes a much faster process to buy something, which has always been a problem with (BlackBerry) App World," he said.

Cellmania announced on its website that it had been acquired by RIM late Tuesday.

"Cellmania is excited to announce that our company is now part of Research In Motion," the company's website said Tuesday.

"Our team has joined RIM's global organization and will continue to bring our expertise in application storefront development to the BlackBerry platform."

Segan noted that Cellmania also has software to improve billing and metrics for software developers.

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## N.L.: No money for AbitibiBowater deal

Premier Danny Williams says Newfoundland and Labrador will not reimburse the \$130 million Ottawa will pay AbitibiBowater to settle claims that the provincial government illegally seized some of its assets.

Williams says he's proud

of the hasty expropriation he engineered as AbitibiBowater declared bankruptcy in 2008 and closed a paper mill in central Newfoundland. Williams also says he'd do nothing differently — except for the accidental seizure of the mill itself. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Oil-eating bacteria found in gulf

The Gulf of Mexico oil spill has revealed a previously unknown type of oil-eating bacteria, which is suddenly flourishing.

Scientists discovered the new microbe while studying the underwater dispersion of millions of litres of oil spilled into the Gulf following the explosion of BP's Deepwater Horizon drilling rig.

And the microbe works without significantly depleting oxygen in the water, researchers led by Terry Hazen at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory reported Tuesday in the online journal *Science Express*.

The findings, which provide the first data ever on microbial activity from a deepwater dispersed oil plume, suggest a great potential for bacteria to help dispose of oil plumes in the deep-sea, Hazen said in a statement.

Environmentalists have

"Our findings show the influx of oil profoundly altered the microbial community by significantly stimulating deep-sea cold temperature bacteria."

TERRY HAZEN, OO

raised concerns about the giant oil spill and the underwater plume of dispersed oil, particularly its potential effects on sea life. A report just last week described a 35-kilometre-long underwater mist of tiny oil droplets.

Before the spill the microbes in the deepest parts of the Gulf were not well known and there was little carbon present in the area of cool temperatures and high pressure.

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**They say you shouldn't talk about religion and politics in polite company, but I think the idiom needs an update. The politics part is fine.**

**B**ut among friends my age, speaking ill of the church is redundant, like bad-mouthing athlete's foot. Everybody is doing it. You're more likely to offend people by saying you didn't like the latest episode of *Mad Men*.

So I'd like to make a new addition to the don't-talk list. Remove: Religion. Add: Alternative medicine.

Different names, same nonsense.

Replace "Christianity is 2,000 years old" with "India and China

are ancient cultures."

Replace "If you listen for Jesus, He'll speak," to "You have to believe it or it won't work."

Please note that me banging my head off the table in frustration shall remain the same.

First of all, there is no "alternative" medicine. There's medicine. Stuff works or it doesn't.

This is not a battle of West vs. East. Homeopathy started in Germany, for instance, and it's bunk.

Homeopathy is a good discussion point because there's no grey. It doesn't work, full stop.

It says water can "remember"

what was dissolved in it if you just shake it up good. And that the more diluted something gets, the more powerful it is.

If homeopathy was true, I'd drop a shot of vodka into my parent's pool, thrash around a little, and invite some friends over for the party of our lives.

But I've discovered it's not polite to say such things. It gets people upset.

Look, I don't care whether you agree with me. But people should be able to discuss it without getting personally offended or staring at their shoes like they're trying to untie them

telepathically. How else does one get closer to the truth? Whatever that is.

My mother is a lay minister in the Catholic Church so I have a lot of experience with being friendly and loving when personal cultures clash.

She called me a few months ago and said, "We have something in common."

"You're unemployed," I said.

"Yes," she said. "Did somebody tell you?"

"No," I said. "I just couldn't think of anything else we have in common."

We laughed together at that — a long, hearty, satisfying laugh.



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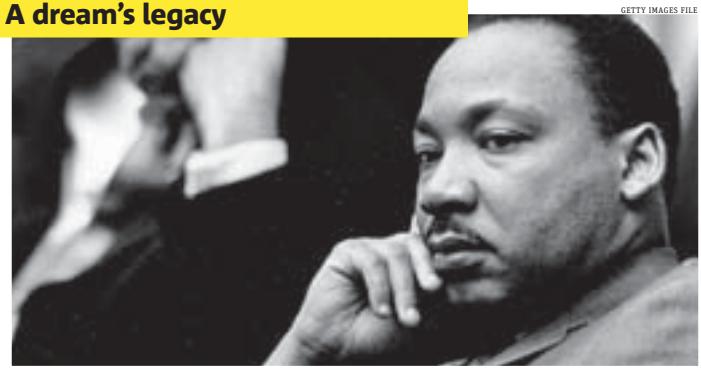
### Worth Mentioning

A conservative rally this Saturday at the Lincoln Memorial on the 47th anniversary of Martin Luther King's famous I Have A Dream speech has renewed yet another tense national debate in the United States about race relations and the Tea Party movement.

Fox News personality Glenn Beck said his event, called "Restoring Honour," is meant to "recognize our First Amendment rights and honour the service members who fight to protect those freedoms."

He has vowed the rally will be "one for the history books" and will represent a "turning point in

### A dream's legacy



America."

Beck has long infuriated liberals in the U.S. But his comments about the civil rights movement in advance of this weekend's rally have fanned the flames of outrage even further.

Beck, considered by many the spiritual leader of the Tea Party movement, said the rally

will "reclaim the civil rights movement," which he described as having been "distorted" and "turned upside down."

Brittney Cooper, a professor of gender and race relations at the University of Alabama, called Beck's remarks a slap in the face not just to African-Americans, but to King's legacy.

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## News in brief



**A federal judge has ordered a Connecticut talent agent to pay nearly \$1.2 million US to a concert promoter for failing to produce Justin Timberlake for a concert in the Philippines.**

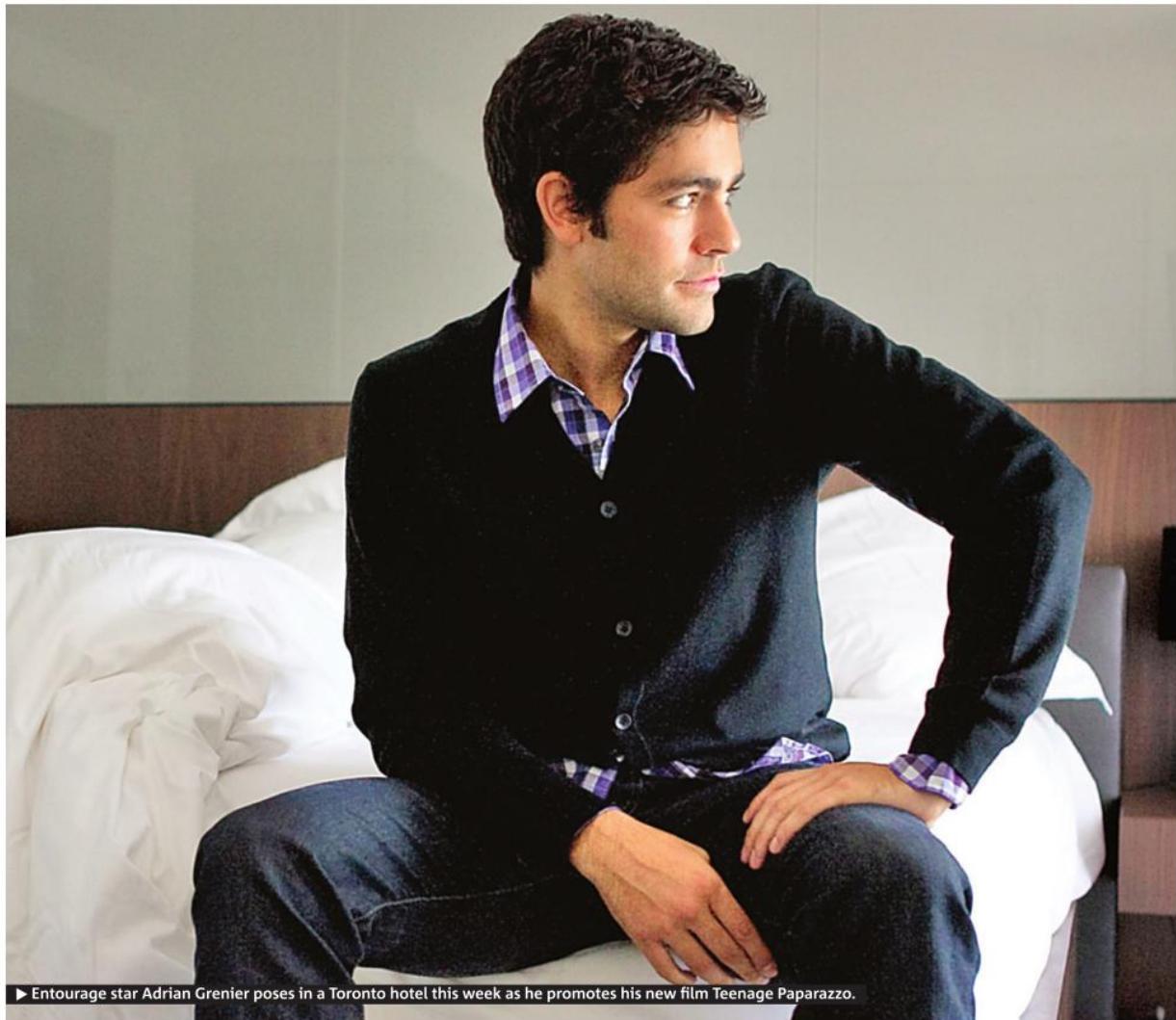
**In a lawsuit in Connecticut, Arnold Vegafría, president of ALV Events**

**International, contends he paid Kofi Degrift Johnson to showcase Timberlake at a concert in 2008. But the singer never appeared.**

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Guess who Susan Boyle will be singing for now?



► **Entourage** star Adrian Grenier poses in a Toronto hotel this week as he promotes his new film *Teenage Paparazzo*.

# The life and times of celebrity teens

► **Entourage** star Adrian Grenier goes behind the camera to film *Teenage Paparazzo* ► Documentary probes the cogs that turn the fame machine

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As actor and director Adrian Grenier states in his new documentary, he's a celebrity ... or at least he plays one on TV.

In fact, portraying Hollywood star Vincent Chase on HBO's *Entourage* has given Grenier valuable insight into the subculture of the paparazzi. But when he met a tenacious 13-year-old celebrity pap named Austin Visschedyk, the bizarre encounter inspired the actor to investigate the cogs turning the fame machine in *Teenage Paparazzo*.

Metro caught up with Grenier to discuss the documentary (opening Friday in select theatres and airing on HBO Canada on Sept. 27), his pubescent subject and how starring on *Entourage* has changed his life.

**Teenage Paparazzo** is a really interesting movie. It ends up places that, at the outset, you don't expect to go. Did you have any idea when you started out how involved this was going to get?

Well, that's life. That's one thing about documentaries that I absolutely adore — that they really do capture the twists and

turns of life if you let it. All you have to do really is point your camera at the world, ask a question and suddenly you're taken on this journey.

**At what point in getting to know Austin did you realize that you had something?**

I knew it would at least be interesting based on the fact that this kid was so compelling as a character. But it wasn't until I started to explore the philosophy and the ideas of celebrity that it really became interesting to me because it wasn't just a narrative ... it was also a deconstruction of this culture that has

coveted celebrity and embraced this young boy's decision to become a paparazzo.

**This film seems to be spun off your role on *Entourage*. What has playing Vince Chase done for you as an actor?**

It's been a really enjoyable experience. Before *Entourage* I was very serious and pretentious and I only wanted to do dark indie films filmed in New York in the winter. So thanks to *Entourage* I found a little bit of humor in my life and I've been able to have a little more fun. Vince taught me to laugh.



## Teen Stars

Some of the celebrities that appear in *Teenage Paparazzo*:

- Paris Hilton
- Lindsay Lohan
- Matt Damon
- Lewis Black
- Alex Baldwin
- Rosie O'Donnell
- Whoopi Goldberg
- Eva Longoria
- Michelle Rodriguez

# Late summer surge at the box office

With plenty of quality films to choose from, August is no longer a dumping ground **Bridges gap between blockbuster and Oscar seasons**

August traditionally has been considered a dumping ground for movies, a time when schlocky little genre pictures would sneak into theatres for a couple of weeks before vacations wrapped up, kids went back to school and reality once again took hold.

But that's all changing. This past month, for instance, you had a well-received comedy hit in *The Other Guys*, small, tense thrillers like *The Disappearance of Alice Creed* and *Animal Kingdom*, and an intelligent documentary in *The Tillman Story*. Even the horror movies *Piranha 3D* and *The Last Exorcism* are stronger than the usual late-season fare.

Last August brought us Quentin Tarantino's Nazi-killing epic *Inglourious Basterds*, which was nominated for eight Academy Awards (it won for supporting-actor Christoph Waltz), and *District 9*, about an alien invasion in South Africa, which received four nominations. Both were up for best picture. Previous Augusts have featured *Tropic Thunder* (2008), *Superbad* (2007) and *Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby* (2006), all hits at the box office and with critics.

"Times have changed. People go to movies 365 days out of the year," said Eli Roth, who produced *The Last Exorcism* and has a cameo in *Piranha 3D*.

One reason is sheer quantity: There are so many movies flooding theatres



**► The Disappearance of Alice Creed** is one of several strong releases this month.

**"August has become a transitional month, the month that bridges the gap between the summer blockbusters and the fall Oscar season, and often the kind of films you find are kind of a hybrid. They don't fit into any exact category."** PAUL DERGARABEDIAN

every year, there's never going to be a period that's completely wretched. Roth recalled that when his first feature, *Cabin Fever*, came out in September 2003, he was told the low-budget horror film would have a month to prove it could perform. "Now it's like, you have a week, and if you don't work that first week, it's over," he said. "There's always another movie on the chopping block."

But mid-to-late August

can be a more welcoming

time to open a movie — especially in the horror or sci-fi genres — because there's a different kind of competition. "You still have a weekend seven days a week, the college kids are still out, kids want that last gasp of summer before they go back to school," said Roth.

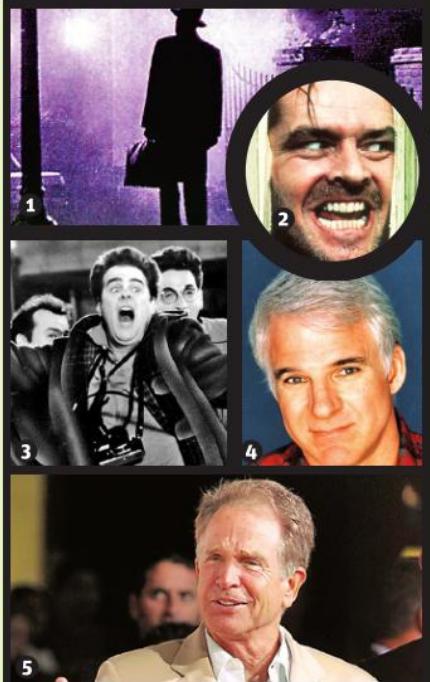
"Horror movies, by August, you kind of miss them. The last one was in April. You can feel it when *Halloween* opens with \$30 million — the remake — or *Final Destination 3D* opens

to huge box office. ... We thought it was the perfect time (to release *The Last Exorcism*).

But August is still sort of a dumping ground "in the sense of the quantity of the movies, but not necessarily the quality of the movies like it used to be," said Paul Dergarabedian, box-office analyst for Hollywood.com. Last weekend, for example, 13 new movies came out, with the ensemble action flick *The Expendables* holding the No. 1 spot for the second-straight week. *Piranha 3D* debuted in sixth place, only making \$10.1 million. But it got an overwhelmingly strong critical reception, earning 81 per cent positive reviews on the Rotten Tomatoes website.

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## Entertainment in pictures



**The Last Exorcism** tells the story of a teenage girl living on a remote Louisiana farm who may — or may not — be possessed by some sort of demon. Here are five movies about possession — demonic and otherwise — that'll take hold of you:

**1**

**The Exorcist (1973):** The imagery is iconic: the spinning head and the projectile pea soup and the rumbling bed.

**2**

**The Shining (1980):** Stanley Kubrick was a master at freaking you out with camera angles, lighting and pacing.

**3**

**Ghostbusters (1984):** Director Ivan Reitman takes all the traditional demonic-possession imagery and uses it to amuse us.

**4**

**All of Me (1984):** Steve Martin makes you believe the soul of Lily Tomlin's character, a dead millionaire, has entered his body.

**5**

**Heaven Can Wait (1978):** Warren Beatty showed off his charm and smarts in this screwball-comedy throwback.

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## Perry almost lives up to packaging

**Katy Perry**  
Album: Teenage Dream  
Label: Capitol/EMI

One of the advantages of the iTune age is that 14-year-old boys can download the new Katy Perry album in the privacy of their own bedrooms. They need never suffer the embarrassment of asking for an over-the-counter copy. Unfortunately, the web version is not near as much fun as handling the real thing (we mean, of course, the CD), which features an alluring shot of Ms. Perry wearing nothing but a whisp of cacao floss.

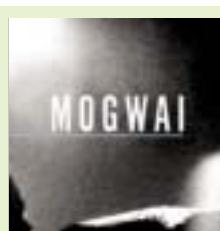
The more adventurous

will even sniff the cover which is scented with a bubble gummy eau d'floss (no kidding). Welcome to the age of porno-pop. Katy is every teenage boy's dream. And she milks the tease for all it's worth.

The double entendres of California Gurls have supplied radio with comfort candy for weeks. Katy continues the onslaught on Last Friday Night by getting trashed, going skinny dipping and jumping into a threesome. And the peak-show chant in Peacock has nothing to do with brightly plumed birds. Better still is Circle the Drain where Katy chastises a drug-addled rock star for falling asleep during foreplay. With the writing/production team of Max Martin and Dr. Luke at the helm, the music is almost as good as the packaging.

**Outstanding track:** Circle the Drain

● GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM

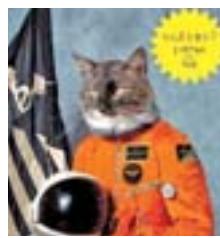


**Mogwai**  
Album: Special Moves

**Label:** Rock Action/Fontana North  
  
Mogwai's quiet-to-loud crescendos have always been a crowd pleaser, despite the inevitable tinnitus that comes from their performances. Released with the beautifully shot concert doc Burning, the audio portion is a treat for fans to enjoy at their preferred volume. Recorded

over three shows last year in Brooklyn, Special Moves perfectly encapsulates Mogwai's 14-year history and gives a sense of their supremacy as a live band, covering everything from the epic Mogwai Fear Satan to the more recent I'm Jim Morrison, I'm Dead.

**Outstanding track:** Mogwai Fear Satan  
● CAM LINDSAY



**Klaxons**  
Album: Surfing the Void

**Label:** Universal  
  
It's taken the Klaxons three long and trying years to follow up Myths of the Future, the U.K. band's successful debut. They band actually wrote an earlier disc, but scrapped it — they said it just didn't feel like them. For this version they teamed up with Ross Robinson, Korn and Limp

Bizkit's producer. That might seem strange, but it worked. The new disc is a loud, aggressive collection of thick rock, pop hooks and complex psychedelia. Opener Echoes feels like a sludgy mess at first, but it all makes sense after a few spins.

**Outstanding track:** The Same Space  
● BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI



**Fantasia**  
Album: Back to Me

**Label:** Sony Music  
  
Good pop music should always have a sing-along quality. Yet it's hard to imagine teen girls skipping along the street sweetly singing along to I'm Doin' Me, the opening track on Fantasia's latest CD. Okay, we get the girl empowerment stuff, but the phrasing is a tad too uncomfortable to enjoy. The former American Idol

champ fares better when exploring a more retro soul sound on tracks like Bittersweet and I'm Here (from the Color Purple). She's got a voice pleasantly reminiscent of Supremes-era Diana Ross. It's best unfettered by overpowering and sometimes annoying dance beats.

**Outstanding track:** I'm Here  
● GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM



**Usher**  
Album: Versus  
Label: Sony Music

It's been a while since Usher was the hottest R&B heartthrob around. It's not just his popularity that has waned; his music has taken a step backwards too. Six months ago he released the lackluster Raymond v. Raymond, a record about his divorce and, of course, pursuing the ladies. This nine-song follow-up isn't much better. It's a directionless collection of electro-club

numbers and soulful tunes — the latter making up the stronger songs.

The worst track is the remix of Justin Bieber's Somebody to Love. He's clearly clinging to the Usher of old, but it might be time to let go and play to his aging, but still mostly loyal, audience.

**Outstanding track:** Love Em' All  
● BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI



►Russell Simmons

## Simmons backs WTC area mosque

Hip-hop mogul Russell Simmons has put high-visibility support behind a proposed cultural centre and mosque near ground zero, using the windows of his top-floor apartment across the street from the site where the World Trade Center stood to display a call for coexistence, loving one's neighbour and support of religious freedoms.

"I was trying to figure out ways I could reach people and promote a message of tolerance," Simmons told The Associated Press yesterday.

Spelled out through the symbols of the world's religions is the word "coexist," starting with an Islamic star and crescent for the "C" and finishing with a Christian cross for the "T." Other symbols include a backward Hindu "Om," a Star of David, a peace sign and a yin-yang.

The signs take up six of the nine windows on the top story of the building on Liberty Street. A controversy has raged over Park51, the planned Islamic cultural centre about two blocks from ground zero that would include a mosque.

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# Space: The final (boring?) frontier

► What happens when you can't walk for a year? Have sex? Drink beer? Or ralph in your space suit? ► Mary Roach tackles these tough space questions and more in *Packing for Mars*

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Space exploration conjures countless indelible images: Earthrises, awe-inspiring moon-walks and the graceful ballet of weightlessness. What most people don't realize is that the Right Stuff consists not only of courage, but a lot of body odor and boredom too.

"There's not much overlap between my idea of what's interesting about space and NASA's idea of what they'd like to present to the public about space," admits Mary Roach, whose previous books have tackled the curious science of corpses (*Stiff*), the afterlife (*Spook*) and sex (*Bonk*). Her latest, *Packing for Mars: The Curious Science of Life in the Void*, turns Roach's sardonic humor and steel-stomached curiosity to the stranger side of space travel.

"I keep thinking that pretty soon I'm going to get to the end of the road and will have used up the human body and how strange it is," she says. "But I seem to keep finding other avenues."

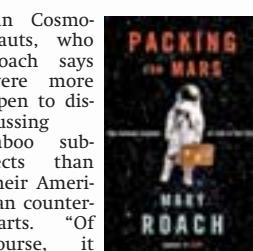
This time out, those avenues led her to tests regarding: the effect of orbital isolation on the astronaut psyche, the limits of the human body to extended periods lying prone (via bed-rest studies with volunteers who lie in bed for months at a time) or the still-unsolved question over whether anyone has

actually had sex in space. If so, it was probably Russ-

helped that everybody was drinking

whiskey at 11 in the morning," she says.

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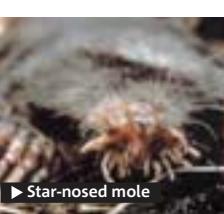
► Mary Roach explores the effect of orbital isolation in her latest book, *Packing for Mars*.

## Ugly animals, repulsive but loved

Forget lions and alligators. The really spell-binding animals carry names like blobfish and star-nosed mole.

The blobfish looks does look like a big blob. It consists almost entirely of a gelatinous mass, which makes it look more like melting ice-cream than a fish. Unfortunately, the blobfish lives near the seafloor off the coast of Australia, far away from the many human arms that would love nothing more than to hug him.

In fact, humans maintain a long-standing fascination for exotically ugly animals like the blobfish and the star-nosed mole, a mole that appears to have no head. Instead, it smells and eats with a gigantic nose which resembles a jumble of spaghetti. And according to a recent study by biologists at Vanderbilt University, the star-nosed mole's peculiar snout is an



effective organ indeed. Vanderbilt reports that the animal is the world's fastest eater, selecting and eating a meal in 650 milliseconds.

Then there's the proboscis monkey with its improbably large and droopy nose, and the cassowary, a large bird that mostly resembles an alien. "Deformities provide a lot of information about what can go wrong, and by contrast what good function is," Dr. Geoffrey Miller, an evolutionary psychologist at the University of New Mexico, tells the New York Times. "This is not just about physical deformities. People who seem crazy are also highly attention-grabbing."

That might be the reason humans have gone out of their way to create ugly animals. The Sphynx cat has wrinkles but no fur, and the bloodhound is often bred with excessively droopy eyes and cheeks. Ugly, apparently, beats boring.

### Ground control

In packing her own suitcase for a trip to Mars, Mary Roach lists a few essentials gleaned from her research:

1 **Lip balm:** I'm kind of a lip balm addict and they

tell me when something floats off in a spacecraft, you'll never find it again.

2 **A full e-reader:** The guys on Mir and even on the way to

the moon complained of boredom. [Astronaut] Eugene Cernin said, "I should have brought some crossword puzzles."

3 **Patience:** I don't know where you buy patience, but I don't have enough of it.

4 **Condiments:** Hot sauce, balsamic vinegar, pesto sauce — they say to smother the food that they give you with your own condiments. Space food is kind of bland.

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# Drew goes the distance

► Film pairs her with ex Justin Long ► Character is a departure from her previous 'cuckoo' roles

Drew Barrymore has had some duds for onscreen partners in romantic comedies — not that she's about to name names.

"The worst is when you're kissing someone who is not a good kisser, and you're trying to make it look good, and you feel like you're just working on your own," she says.

Luckily her latest film, Going the Distance, pairs her with someone very near to her heart: Ex-boyfriend Justin Long. "It

was just lucky for me because he's a good kisser, so it was like, 'Thank God,'" Barrymore says of Long. "At least it was a real team effort, you know?"

The film finds Barrymore and Long playing young lovers forced into a long-distance relationship when she returns to San Francisco to finish school. For Barrymore, starring in a film with a more modern female lead instead of just more of the same was a huge pleasure.

"I just wasn't in that sort of place in my life where I wanted to play a cuckoo, wacky role-reversal sort of scenario," she says. "I wanted to play someone who can hang out with guys and loves women, but has spine and is funny. I feel like I relate to that kind of person in my life right now."



► Drew Barrymore, in Going the Distance, works with an impressive supporting cast, including Christina Applegate, Jason Sudeikis and Charlie Day.

## Comic foil

Christina Applegate plays Drew's skeptical, put-upon older sister.

► Long-time friends The two were in dance class together as kids and have been friends for decades.

Another appealing aspect of Going the Distance was the impressive supporting cast, including comedic talents like Christina Applegate, Saturday Night Live star Jason Sudeikis and Charlie Day from It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia.

"I find that films, for me

watching them, work best when you're really invested in the whole group of people," Barrymore says. "At least one of the reasons I like it best is because of everybody in it."

Of course, with a cast like that, there's always going to be some ad-libbing, and Barrymore did her best

to keep up. "It was a pleasure for me to get to improv and just work in a much more free-flowing way where you could play around and you didn't have to be censored — because you had an R rating — and that to me was just an absolute pleasure," she says.

One particularly pleasurable scene, she remembers, included her character blowing off some steam at a bar with friends. "If you were really angry, how would you just let loose? And it was just the most fun day at work ever. Because I really just let loose," she says.

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# 'Been through hell,' says Elin

► Woods' ex-wife opens up to People magazine ► She says she never hit him that Thanksgiving night

Tiger Woods' ex-wife Elin Nordegren said she has "been through hell" since her husband's infidelity surfaced but she never hit him, according to an interview released Wednesday.

Nordegren told People magazine she and Woods tried for months to reconcile the relationship. In the end, a marriage "without trust and love" wasn't good for anyone, she said.

On Thanksgiving night outside their Florida home, Woods drove his SUV over a fire hydrant and into a tree, setting off shocking revelations that sports' biggest star had been cheating on

his wife through multiple affairs. The couple officially divorced Monday.

Nordegren told People that she never hit Woods on the night of the car crash.

"There was never any violence inside or outside our home," she said. "The speculation that I would have used a golf club to hit him is just truly ridiculous."

Nordegren said Woods left the house that night and when he didn't return after a while, she got worried and went to look for him. She said that's when she found him in the car.

"I did everything I could



► Elin Nordegren

to get him out of the locked car," she said. "To think anything else is absolutely wrong."

The magazine said the interview was conducted over four visits lasting a total of 19 hours at the rented Windermere, Fla., home where she now lives with their two children.

"I've been through hell,"

said the Swedish-born Nordegren, who began losing her hair in the days before the divorce became final. "It's hard to think you have this life, and then all of a sudden — was it a lie? You're struggling because it wasn't real. But I survived. It was hard, but it didn't kill me."

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## Celebrity tweets



**Dax Shepard**  
[@daxshepard]

My body has started giving me hints that a chicken-only-diet might not be the healthiest trail to blaze. I'm auditioning some greens.

that makes the difference in your life....

**Heidi Montag**  
[@heidi\_montag]



swimming in the ocean! I hope dolphins swim next to me

**Jeremy Piven**



[@jeremy\_piven] Not how hard you hit, it's how hard u can get hit

**Ashley Greene**

[@AshleyMGreene] Waking up Anytime before 5 AM for work just doesn't seem right. Brutal calltime this Morning. • METRO

## Lohan is free!

After just 22 days in rehab, Lindsay Lohan is a free woman, checking herself out of the UCLA Medical Center after the new judge in her case, Elden Fox, agreed that she could go home, according

to People magazine.

Lohan's previous judge, Marsha Revel, had wanted the actress to serve the full 90-day rehab sentence. "She's out and she's doing really well," a source says of the actress. On Lohan's first night at home, she received a visit from ex-girlfriend Samantha Ronson.

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► Lindsay Lohan

## King of Pop tribute

Michael Jackson's hometown in Indiana is planning another tribute to the "King of Pop" just two months after marking the one-year anniversary of his death.

A news release issued by the city says a tribute will be held outside Jackson's boyhood home in Gary on Saturday, a day before what would have been his 52nd birthday.



► Michael Jackson

Gary Mayor Rudy Clay says the city is honouring Jackson's memory as a great and giving person and as the world's greatest

entertainer. The Jackson Family moved out of the city after the Jackson 5 struck it big in 1969.

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## Talking points

### Timberlake likes his privacy

#### ADULT TREEHOUSE?

Apparently Justin Timberlake didn't think his \$5 million home in the Hollywood Hills home was private enough, so he reportedly built an upscale treehouse in the backyard, according to the National Enquirer. "Justin's still a kid at heart. He had the tree house built so he and his buddies could escape to drink and play cards," a source says. • METRO



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No fashion lover's coffee table is complete without Chanel, by Edmonde Charles-Roux (Vendome Press). Consider this biography by former Paris Vogue editor-in-chief Edmonde Charles-Roux a must for any fashion lover's library.

Valentino: A Grand Italian Epic, by Suzy Menkes, Matt Tyrnauer and Armando Chitolina (Taschen) is also recommended. Think of this as a companion to the popular documentary about the legendary Italian couturier.

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# Fall fashion forecast

- Ken Downing keeps an eye on what might be influencing designers
- Every year people look to him for his fashion predictions

Ken Downing says the forecast calls for pantsuits, capes, fur, lace and, oh yes, feathers.

If women are skeptical that they will be wearing a frothy shirt of lace beneath a tailored pantsuit or shoes trimmed with feathers this fall, they shouldn't be. Downing, luxury retailer Neiman Marcus' fashion director, has been digesting designer offerings from New York to London to Paris to Milan to come up with a list of trends sure to get

**"I really create the attitude and the message and the mood of the season that the company will be following"**

KEN DOWNING

people running to the mall.

"I really create the attitude and the message and the mood of the season that the company will be following," Downing said.

His fashion forecast is

then integrated into everything from the Dallas-based company's marketing message to what buyers look for to how mannequins are dressed. To create that trend list, Downing watches for recurring themes at fashion shows around the globe. Then he checks out whether designers are producing enough of those trendy items he has honed in on to fill store racks.

"We start to talk about do we have the critical mass to make these bold

predictions?" he said.

For instance, he said, "If we believe in green, we need to have green everywhere." (This fall, by the way, green will be everywhere, he says, especially in the military-influenced olive.)

Boots of all heights are also in the fall forecast, he said. And a structured handbag is a must, not to mention pearls, "ropes and ropes" of them. Also, he says, keep an eye out for capes and vests.

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## How to know

► Fashion forecast Downing travels to Neiman Marcus stores across the country to talk to customers about the coming fashion forecast and get their comments.

# Bank or budget

► Two trendy aviator jackets, for two different fall budgets



These jackets actually combine two of fall's most visible trends in one. They've got shearling, which seemed to line just about every piece of outerwear

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► **Real-life application:** Aviator jackets tend to add bulk to an outfit. Unless you're going for that extra large look, try pairing the jacket with clean, simple silhouettes like stylist Claire Richardson does here.

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### MALIN + GOETZ

\$18, [malinandgoetz.com](http://malinandgoetz.com)

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# HOT, HOT FIREPLACE

► Adorning the mantle with picture frames, vase and other accessories one of the best ways to add flare to your fireplace

## HOMES IN STYLE

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A fireplace is the focal point of any room, so it certainly shouldn't be an afterthought when it comes to decorating.

According to style maven Karen Kwinter — style editor at large for both Canadian Living and Homemakers magazines — the quickest way to add flare and interest to a fireplace is to adorn the mantle with cherished possessions.

"Whether it's a great collection of black-and-white picture frames leaning against the wall, or a bouquet of flowers in an interesting vase, placing items on the mantle will draw your attention to the fireplace immediately," she explains.

Kwinter says her favourite mantles usually feature a monochromatic palette of a mix of great antique and modern finds, layered amongst each other. "Maybe it's a stack of white lacquered boxes with black trim, bone horns resting beside them, a unique vase or sculpture, or a great clock," she adds.

The key is to contrast objects with flowing curves alongside those with strong angles in order to create visual movement. And candles always add warmth to the ambience.

If you have a small room, Kwinter suggests hanging a framed mirror above your mantle running the full length; this will create the illusion of space and add light and dimension to the room.



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### 1 URBAN BARN, \$36-48

These shell-inspired ceramic Conch Vases in white and chrome finishes add a bright touch to any mantle whether filled with flowers or left empty as decorative accents; \$36 (white), \$48 (chrome); [urbanbarn.com](http://urbanbarn.com).

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### 5 POTTERY BARN, \$49-129

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### 7 POTTERY BARN, \$28-72

Displaying a collection of candles is made more elegant when the candles are placed inside these Avery Hurricanes; [potterybarn.ca](http://potterybarn.ca).

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# Time to shine a little light

With summer slowly bowing out, it's goodbye to natural light. Here are a few tips to becoming lamp-savvy once the darker days arrive

## DECOR MOMENT

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It's that time of the year when daylight starts to disappear earlier and earlier in the day. Within

the next few months we'll be without sunlight by the ride home from work. Now is the time to change up the lighting and wattage around the house to accommodate for the darker days over the next few months. Every room needs three types of lighting: overall, task and ambient. Here's a list of light sources and the wattage needed:

### Ambient Lighting:

Creates subtle amounts of light



### Fun quotes

“Ever arrive at work with one navy sock and one black one? Time to increase your lighting!”  
“I use 20 watt bulbs to look young, 60 watts for work and 100 watts for cleaning. Nobody ever looks young when they are cleaning.”

that brighten a dark corner or illuminate a dark hall or entrance. A great light to have on when entering your home after

dark. Wall sconces in a dining room, night lights in the hallway and hidden rope lighting under a bed or on a balcony. The bulb wattage should be between 15-30 watts.

Designer tip: Using LED candles can add ambient light and sparkle to a room.

### Task lighting:

This strong, directed light helps get tasks done. A swing arm lamp for reading in the bedroom, under cupboard lighting to illuminate the countertops in the kitchen and the Hollywood bar lights to help put on makeup in

the bathroom are all prime examples. The bulb wattage should be between 40-80 watts.

Designer tip: Every comfy chair should have a reading floor lamp beside it.

### Overall Lighting:

The strongest of lighting, the entire room will be illuminated to help when painting, cleaning, or doing crafts. The centre ceiling light in the bedroom illuminates for making the bed, recessed pot lights in the living room wash light

around perimeters and a ceiling fan light in the family room helps when playing board games. Strength of bulbs to use: 60-100 watts.

Designer tip: If you don't have a light outlet in the centre of the ceiling for a light then use a floor standing torchier lamp to illuminate a room; it will shoot light up onto the ceiling and illuminate the entire room.

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# Forget van Gogh, art it up yourself

► Why spend money on some expensive painting? ► Get working on the canvas and don't be afraid to copy the greats, home design experts say

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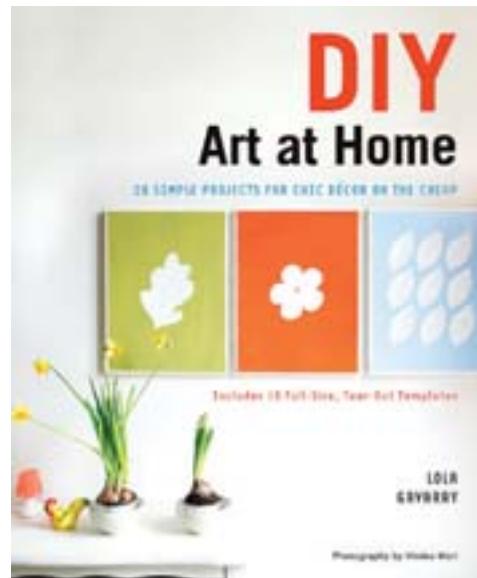
Designer David Bromstad, who creates wall-art magic as host of HGTV's *Color Splash*: Miami, shares a few, basic pointers: Keep it simple. Have reasonable expectations. And copy, copy, copy.

"I cannot stress it enough: Be inspired by other artists and designers," says Bromstad. "Copy it. It's OK to do. That's what they're there for."

After all, beginning artists learn from copying the masters.

"That's how I learned how to paint (and draw). Van Gogh, Rembrandt — I copied them," says Bromstad.

French artist and textile designer Lola Gavarri takes the fear out of painting with her book *DIY Art at*



Photography by Victoria Woy

Home (Watson-Guptill, 2010). Templates are included for some of the 28 projects, each of which offers a simple, contemporary design element.

Gavarri walks DIYers through each project, and the steps are amply photographed.

From her home in Paris, Gavarri recommends finding a quiet place and taking a few practice runs.

"Make an initial test on paper to get comfortable," she says. "Don't worry about small imperfections. They are your marks."

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### Different strokes

DIY decor art ideas from David Bromstad, host of HGTV's *Color Splash*: Miami.

► Buy several inexpensive canvases and acrylic paint. Consider using a high-quality, latex house paint. Artists often do, he says. Choose a simple design, such as stripes or geometric shapes, or paint each canvas a different colour. Hang the canvases like an installation — randomly, or in rows. The idea is especially good for kids — allow a child to paint her own canvases, then hang the results like a headboard — and for apartment dwellers wanting to cover drab walls, Bromstad says. "Bring in tons of canvases and hang them almost like wallpaper," he advises.

► Another idea? Take a black-and-white photograph to a copier store that has rolls of oversize blueprint paper and have it blown up to a metre or so wide and as long as desired. As it enlarges, the photo will pixelate, adding interest. "It looks incredible," says Bromstad.

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Minimalism in bathroom fixtures means simple architectural forms such as geometric shapes.

## Minimalism works best for home spa

### ► Turn your master suite into a tranquil getaway

Minimalism was originally introduced as an artistic principle that focused on using a minimum number of colours, shapes, lines and textures. Designers and architects adopted the style, resulting in homes that were spare and simple, yet elegant.

Typically, these homes featured uninterrupted planes, and neutral colours.

As applied to home-spa design, the minimalist approach means maximum space, minimum fuss, and simple luxury. Surfaces are smooth, lines sculptural and sensual, and clutter is eliminated.

Fixtures and faucets are

sleek and understated; the few accessories often include organic cotton towels and soft candlelight.

Professional spas are often too expensive and not always accessible, so here are some helpful tips that will turn any master suite into a tranquil getaway:

- The minimalist trend draws inspiration from nature. Simple home spas often contain gently flowing water, rich wood, and smooth slate. Colours are calm and neutral, in whites, beiges and grays reminiscent of natural elements such as clouds, sandy beaches, and river rocks.
- The strength of minimalism lies in the efficiency of what exists in the room. Because the room doesn't contain a lot of furniture or objects, each one needs to be perfectly chosen. Materials matter, and the design of each component is critical. The beauty is in the details.
- Minimalism in bathroom fixtures means simple architectural forms; geometric shapes; smooth, sculptural lines; and low profiles. Baths and showers should be visually appealing and a pleasure to use. Look for wall-mounted, space-saving sinks and streamlined, one-piece toilets.

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"Home". Just imagine a small cottage beautifully decorated for only \$10,900 to \$129,000 and if I wanted to start in something a bit smaller I could get into a perfectly comfortable vacation home for only \$19,900.

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Ordering a burrito at Mucho Burrito requires quick decision-making skills. First there's the size to consider. Do you want 10 inch or 12 inch? Then what type of tortilla: whole wheat or white. What type of meat? Fish, beef or chicken?

Finally there's a myriad of fillings to throw in the mix: Cilantro lime rice, beans, pico de gallo, cheese, guac and so on. Keeping up with the burrito artist was challenging with his clipped questions hinting that he was ready for the onslaught of a lunch rush.

You can order a bag of taco chips on the side, which were slightly warmed, salty and crunchy. The salsa in the small, plastic cup was too chunky for dipping and would have been better buried in the tortilla.

With guacamole and salsa dripping down my chin, my burrito was mucho loved and this spot is fast becoming a popular lunch destination.

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## Blueberry Maple Bake



baking dish. Place half of the bread cubes in the dish. Scatter cream cheese cubes and about half of blueberries over the bread.

2 Top with remaining bread cubes and blueberries. In a bowl, combine eggs, milk, maple syrup and butter. Carefully pour over bread mixture. Bake until a knife inserted in the centre comes out clean, about 1 hour, covering with aluminum foil if edges brown too much. To serve, cut in squares. Serve with additional maple syrup if desired.

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► Michelle Wie watches her shot on the 10th hole yesterday during the Pro Am round of the CN Canadian Women's Open in Winnipeg.

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## Youth will be served at this week's Canadian Women's Open

The average age of the top-10 players heading into this week's CN Canadian Women's Open at St. Charles Country Club is 24. Japan's Ai Miyazato, the No. 1 player on the Rolex World Rankings list, is just 25. Players can't get their LPGA card until they're 18, but many are turning pro in their teens and playing on sponsors' exemptions. This week's tournament — the only Tour stop in Canada — begins today with a field of 156 players, including 48 of the top 50 on the money list. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# NHLers at Games a mixed bag: Bettman

- Panel including NHL commissioner discusses sending players to Winter Olympics
- A decision on sending NHLers hasn't been rendered for 2014 Games in Sochi

Having heard several impassioned pleas from the floor and from members of his own panel, Toronto Maple Leafs general manager Brian Burke leaned into a microphone and raised his voice as he laid out reasons why the NHL would consider pulling out of the Olympics.

It had become the dominant issue at the world hockey summit yesterday



► Bettman

in Toronto, beginning with NHL commissioner Gary Bettman's public appearance and continuing into the afternoon panel discussion. High-ranking officials from North America and Europe were drawn into several colourful exchanges.

And, as usual, none were more colourful than Burke.

"It's not that simple to

get everyone on a god-damned plane and go over and play the games," Burke said. "I want to go, and I think we should go. But for people to say, 'It's priceless,' it's not that simple. We have teams that are losing \$30 million a year.

"Do you think they want me to stand up in a meeting and say, 'I don't want to hear about the problems. Let's get on a plane?' It's not that sim-

95 Mike Ouellet, chief of business affairs with the NHL Players' Association, was also part of the panel. He cited a two-year-old union survey that revealed 95 per cent of NHL players were in favour of continuing at the Vancouver Games.

ple, and we're letting it become an emotional issue

in this room."

The NHL has been sending players to the Olympics since 1998, and a decision has not been rendered for the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi.

"We haven't said 'no,'" Bettman said. "And anybody who suggests that we've made a decision or suggests I'm anti-Olympics doesn't get it, because what we've been simply saying is, 'It's a mixed bag.'" **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# 4 sports

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**"What's the biggest challenge? That's a good question. Every time you take over a team in a new situation, you're trying to change the mindset from hoping to win to expecting to win."**

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**"This is a new beginning for everybody. To me, all the other sins are all kind of gone away."**

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## Duceppe urges PM to help build new arena

Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe is urging Prime Minister Stephen Harper to commit personally to helping Quebec City build a new hockey arena.

Duceppe said yesterday a new arena is crucial if the provincial capital is to have any chance of landing an-

other National Hockey League team.

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman was asked about the possibility of the league returning to Quebec City and replied he wouldn't even begin to think about it unless there was a new arena.

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## Medical group seeking ban on MMA matches in Canada

The country's largest doctors group wants government to ban mixed martial arts, a sport it calls dangerous because of the risk of potentially lifelong injuries to fighters.

After often heated debate, about 250 delegates attending the Canadian

Medical Association's annual meeting voted overwhelmingly yesterday for the organization to campaign for a ban of "mixed martial arts prizefighting matches in Canada."

Dr. Anne Doig, outgoing CMA president, said one of the primary responsibilities

of physicians is to promote good health.

Tom Wright, who heads up the UFC's Canadian office, said the league is as rigorous as any professional sports organization when it comes to the health and safety of its athletes.

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► Ben Roethlisberger of the Pittsburgh Steelers is facing a suspension from the NFL.

## Steelers facing tough challenge to open season

► Team will be without Roethlisberger until Oct. 17 at the earliest ► Steelers preparing two QBs during pre-season

The Pittsburgh Steelers are the only NFL team that, in essence, has two opening days.

The team opens Sept. 12 against Atlanta.

For Ben Roethlisberger, it won't open until Oct. 17 at the earliest.

The Steelers followed up a disappointing post-Super Bowl season with a calamitous off-season. Roethlisberger, the two-time Super Bowl-winning quarterback, shamed himself and his team with his behaviour in a Georgia nightclub, a night of bar-hopping that resulted in a

sexual abuse allegation that wasn't prosecuted but did earn him a suspension.

Now that the season is almost here, their problems aren't going away — even if Roethlisberger is. He'll be banished from all practices and games for at least a month, even if NFL commissioner Roger Goodell shortens his punishment from six games to four.

The suspension is forcing the Steelers to take the unprecedented step of devoting precious pre-season time to preparing not

one but two starting quarterbacks — Byron Leftwich to start the season, Roethlisberger to finish it.

Knowing that Roethlisberger won't be with them when they open against Atlanta, the Steelers are putting a greater emphasis on the running game after finishing an uncharacteristically low 19th and 22nd in rushing the last two seasons. That likely means new looks with multiple tight ends and more carries for Rashard Mendenhall, who ran for 1,108 yards last season. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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### Average value for NFL teams falls

The average value for NFL teams has fallen for the first time since Forbes began keeping track in 1998.

The magazine released its annual ranking of NFL team values yesterday, and it found larger-market teams have weathered the

rough economy far better than their smaller counterparts. Overall, the average value decreased two per cent from last year to \$1,022 billion US.

None of the top 12 franchises lost more than three per cent of their value. The bottom six dropped by five per cent to 16 per cent. The Dallas Cowboys remained the league's richest team, and widened the gap between themselves and the rest of the NFL.

They're now worth \$1,805 billion, their value increasing nine per cent. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### NFL owners support longer sked

NFL owners have shown widespread support for going to an 18-game schedule but want to implement the change as part of a new labour agreement.

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## Favre starting all over again with his offence

With Rice, Harvin hurting, Vikings quarterback again has to introduce himself to new receivers

One of the biggest reasons Brett Favre decided to return to the Minnesota Vikings this year was his familiarity with an offence that he enjoyed being around so much in 2009.

Suddenly, in some ways, Favre feels like he's starting all over again.

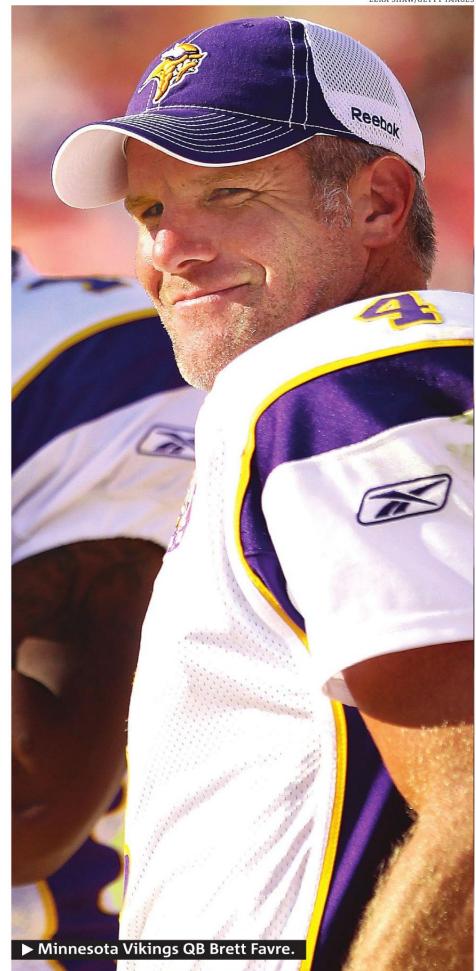
His two favourite targets — Sidney Rice and Percy Harvin — have struggled with ailments throughout the pre-season. Rice had hip surgery on Monday and likely will miss the first half of the regular season while Harvin has hardly practised because of recurring migraines.

"Not a lot different than last year as far as chemistry is concerned," Favre said yesterday. "It would have been nice to come in and go to bat with the guys that we finished with last year, but that is part of football. Every coach will say the same thing. Regardless of who is put in there we have to play the same way."

With Favre leading the way, the Vikings changed from a run-oriented offence in the first three years under coach Brad Childress into a pass-first unit that finished second in the league in scoring.

Vikings receivers caught 207 of the 377 passes completed last year, nearly all of which were thrown by Favre.

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► Minnesota Vikings QB Brett Favre.

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### Fan hopes to inspire Lions

Joe Paquette Jr. says he walked more than 600 kilometres from his home in Michigan's Upper Peninsula to the Motor City because he's a die-hard fan of the Detroit Lions.

Paquette arrived at team headquarters yesterday and was greeted

by coach Jim Schwartz, quarterback Matthew Stafford and other players.

The 63-year-old fan says he started his trek from Munising on Aug. 8. He says he walked as much as 50 kilometres a day during the two-week journey he hopes inspires the team, which has been among the NFL's worst the past few seasons.

Paquette plans to attend Detroit's pre-season game Saturday night against Cleveland.

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### Ochocinco apologizes to Goodell

Chad Ochocinco sent a tweet to NFL commissioner Roger Goodell to say he's sorry for his costly tweets.

The Cincinnati Bengals receiver was fined \$25,000 US on Tuesday for violating the NFL's restrictions on posting to social media sites before, during and after games.

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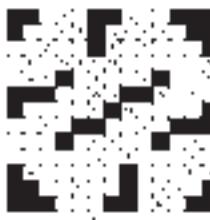
## Crossword

**Across**  
 1 Willy Wonka's creator  
 5 U.K. fliers  
 8 Humpty's perch  
 12 Cruising  
 13 Have a bug  
 14 Do as you're told  
 15 Wire measures  
 16 Sis' counterpart  
 17 Put together  
 18 Tropical fruit  
 20 Blueprint  
 22 Energy  
 26 Complains  
 29 Cowboy nickname  
 30 Rowing need  
 31 Actress Jessica  
 32 Unopened flower  
 33 Initial stake  
 34 Cover  
 35 Bobby of hockey  
 36 Foolish ones  
 37 Uncertain  
 40 Women's garment, for short  
 41 Parish head  
 45 Consumes  
 47 Lucy of "Charlie's Angels"  
 49 "The Music Man" setting  
 50 Rorschach picture  
 51 Journal  
 52 Congregational cry  
 53 Undressed  
 54 Navy rank (Abbr.)  
 55 For fear that

**Down**  
 1 Moist  
 2 Largest continent  
 3 Aid



► Yesterday's answer



## Today's horoscope



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**Aries** March 21-April 20 It's time to put your plans into action. With the Sun and Pluto, planet of power, on the best possible terms, anything is possible now — even the impossible!

**Taurus** April 21-May 21 Whatever it is you are thinking of doing if you act quickly and don't stop to analyze your motives or ponder the consequences you will succeed beyond your wildest dreams.

**Gemini** May 22-June 21 Push yourself a little bit harder today, because one final effort could be all it takes to make the breakthrough you have been hoping for. Today's Sun-Pluto link will simply destroy obstacles in your path.

**Cancer** June 22-July 22 This is one of the best times of the year for getting things done, so stop worrying about what might go wrong and start making things go right for yourself.

**Leo** July 23-Aug. 23 What you fear the most is what you have least to fear, and with the Sun, your ruler, on good terms with Pluto you won't fear a thing. Fate is about to make you an offer you cannot refuse.

**Virgo** Aug. 24-Sept. 22 If your instincts tell you to go for something today you must not ignore them. If you hesitate you may miss out on something really good and spend the rest of the week kicking yourself for being so stupid.

**Libra** Sept. 23-Oct. 23 This is hardly likely to be a restful day, but it will be a productive day and on balance that's what you prefer.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Today's Sun-Pluto aspect makes you intensely dynamic and intensely ambitious, and if those you share your life with were hoping for a relaxing day, well, they're going to be disappointed.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Something unexpected will happen over the next 24 hours but it won't be bad news for you. On the contrary, the more disruption there is in your social sphere or at work the more you will benefit. Change is good for you.

## Sudoku

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| 7 |   |   | 3 |   |   |   |   |  |
| 5 | 2 |   |   | 7 |   |   |   |  |
|   |   | 1 |   |   | 9 | 8 |   |  |
|   | 7 |   | 6 | 9 |   |   | 2 |  |
| 9 |   |   | 5 | 8 |   |   | 6 |  |
| 2 |   |   | 1 | 7 | 5 |   |   |  |
|   | 5 | 4 |   |   | 3 |   |   |  |
|   |   |   | 8 |   | 7 | 5 |   |  |
|   |   |   |   | 6 |   |   | 4 |  |

## How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►

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| 5 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 7 |
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| 9 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
| 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 4 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 4 |
| 6 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 3 |

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**JOSHUA XOXOXOXOXO**  
Hey Bebism Vefu, Next Monday will be our 2 yrs anniversary together. I love you more and more every single day.

**XOX YOUR NOODLED BOY!**  
Grasshopper, I'm really glad I helped kick-start your summer. Hope it ends with a blast for you. Missing our kissing-and-candy sessions...maybe there's more in store for us... time will tell;-) k take care Handsome!! Sending love and light your way,  
SUE



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JOHN ARMANDO

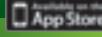
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